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April 28, 2011

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Your refund request for 10541730 in the amount of \$100.00 has been denied.

After thorough investigation of U.S. Patent and Trademark Office physical records and Revenue Accounting Management financial records, it was determined that you were charged appropriately for the filing fees. Dechert LLP gave authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 50-2778 payment of \$1160.00 for 35 USC 371 filing fees on December 11, 2006. The Office adjusted the filing fees based on the Decision dated June 15, 2010 for the 35 USC 111(a) totaling \$1130.00.

The Office adjusted the PCT fee codes, and all the money went back to your deposit account 20-0778. The Office re-applied the filing fees under the 111(a) fee codes accordlying back to the original deposit account, and the Office can not breakdown deposit account money from one account to another account. Applicant will have to contact the other company for reimbursement.

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Please see the attached Request for Refund, sent on behalf of Justin F. Boyce, Reg. No. 40,920. Thank you very much.

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### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Gerhard SCHAEFER

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## REQUEST FOR REFUND

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Sir:

A review of the June 2010 Deposit Account Statement for Account No. 502778 reveals a charge that former attorneys for Applicant believe was made in error. The captioned application, USSN 10/541,730, was filed on July 7, 2005 by attorneys associated with Dechert LLP (USPTO Customer Number 37509), and filing fees were authorized to be charged to Dechert LLP Deposit Account (50-2778). Responsibility for this application was transferred from Dechert LLP to McNeely Bodendorf LLP on September 30, 2008. The acceptance of Power of Attorney to Kevin J. McNeely of McNeely Bodendorf LLP, 1156 15th Street, NW, Washington, D.C. was mailed by the USPTO on March 29, 2010.

On June 15, 2010, a series of charges and refunds were made to the account under the sequence numbers 12, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, and 21 (posting reference 10/541,730; copy of activity attached hereto as Exhibit A). The result of this activity was a net charge of \$100.00 to Dechert LLP Deposit Account No. 50-2778. It appears, from the prosecution history viewable through PAIR, that the \$100 net charge relates to the USPTO Decision dated June 15, 2010 to establish the above-captioned application as a 35 USC 111(a) filing instead of a 35 USC 371 filing. It further appears that the USPTO charged the charges and refunds towards the Dechert LLP Deposit account since it was the deposit account authorized with the initial filing of the

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application. However, as Dechert LLP was no longer the agent for the captioned application as of March 29, 2010, we believe Dechert LLP's Deposit Account should not have been charged the net \$100 charge on June 15, 2010.

Former attorneys for Applicant therefore request that the Dechert LLP Deposit Account Number 50-2778 be refunded the net \$100.00.

Respectfully submitted,

Date:

March <sup>51</sup>, 2011

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